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Crl.O.P.No.1584 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

Dated : 24.01.2025

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THE HONOURABLE Mr. JUSTICE A.D.JAGADISH CHANDIRA

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Manikkam @ Rajamanickam

.... Petitioner

Vs

State rep by
The Inspector of Police,
Saibaba Colony Police Station,
Coimbatore District.
Crime No.12 of 2025

.... Respondent

Prayer: Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 482 of of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, praying to enlarge the petitioner on bail in the event of his arrest in Crime No. 12 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner	:	Mr.P.Nrayana Prasadh
For Respondent	:	Mr.S.Santhosh Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

ORDER

Apprehending arrest in connection with Crime No. 12 of 2025 registered for the offences punishable under Sections 4(1-A) r/w 4(1)(i) and 24 of Tamil Nadu Prohibition Act, the present petition has been filed seeking anticipatory bail.



2. According to the prosecution, when the respondent police were on patrol duty, the A2 to A4 were found to be in illegal possession of 43 liquor bottles each containing 180 ml and 40 liquor bottles each containing 650 ml. The petitioner was arrayed as A1 based on the confession made by A2. Hence the complaint.

3. Pleading innocence on the part of the petitioner, false implication in the case, learned counsel for the petitioner seeks indulgence of this Court. He further submits that the petitioner is no way connected to the allegations as alleged by the prosecution. He also submits that the petitioner is ready to abide by any stringent condition that may be imposed by this Court.

4. The case of the prosecution as putforth by the learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for the respondent Police, opposing for grant of anticipatory bail, is that the petitioner (A1) is the owner of the TASMAL bar. A2 to A4 are suppliers and were found to be in possession of 43 liquor bottles, each containing 180 ml and 40 liquor bottles, each containing 650 ml. On the confession statement given by A2, the petitioner was added as an accused. He further submitted that the petitioner has no previous cases pending against him.



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5. Having heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) for the respondent Police and perused the materials available on record, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner with certain conditions and accordingly, he is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on his appearance within a period of fifteen days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, before the learned Judicial Magistrate No.VII, Coimbatore, on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) each with two sureties each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the respondent Police or the Police officer who intends to arrest or to the satisfaction of the said Magistrate, on further condition that:

[a] if the petitioner fails to surrender before the said Magistrate within a period of fifteen days, this Order shall stand automatically cancelled;

[b] the petitioner shall report before the respondent Police on everyday at 06.30 p.m., until further orders.

[c] the petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial;

[d] the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;



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[e] On breach of any of the aforesaid conditions, the learned Magistrate/Trial Court is entitled to take appropriate action against the petitioner in accordance with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the petitioner released on bail by the learned Magistrate/Trial Court himself as laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in P.K.Shaji vs. State of Kerala [(2005)AIR SCW 5560];

[f] If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of BNS.

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To

1.The Inspector of Police,
Saibaba Colony Police Station,
Coimbatore District.

2.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.

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